## **ABSTRACT**

A method, an apparatus, and their utilization in operating a motor vehicle having a drive motor with an automated or automatic transmission in the drive train for transmitting a torque, a driver-identifying lock recognition system, as well as a transmission control unit that is equipped with a memory function, especially for improving driving comfort, are proposed, wherein it or they are characterized by at least one of the characterizing features contained in the application documents, or by a combination of at least two of those characterizing features.